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THE FOLLOWING TELEGRAM SENT ACTION JIDDA, AND DHAHRAN FROM
USLO RIYADH 20 JUN 78 AND IS REPEATED FOR YOUR INFO
QUOTE:

C O N F I D E N T I A L RIYADH 484

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ELAB, SA
SUBJECT: LABOR PROBLEMS: WOMEN WORKING

REF A) RIYADH 472 B) JIDDA 4453

1. SENIOR SAUDI OFFICER OF CITYBANK RIYADH RECEIVED CONFIRM-
ATION FROM MINISTRY OF INTERIOR OFFICIAL (UNNAMED) THAT SAG HAD INDEED

ISSUED INSTRUCTIONS TO MINISTRIES NOT TO TAKE ACTION TO IMPLEMENT
THE ORIGINAL DECREE ORDERING THE TERMINATION OF FEMALE IMPLOYEES
IN THE KINGDOM.

2. SAUDI CITIBANK OFFICIAL ALSO SHARED INTERESTING ASIDE. HE
QUOTED THE INTERIOR OFFICER AS SAYING THAT WHEN THE ORIGINAL
DECREE HAD BEEN ISSUED, THE MUTAWWA IN RIYADH WERE ECSTATIC. IN
ANTICIPATION OF WIDESPREAD ENFORCEMENT OF DECREE THEY SUMMONED
MUTAWWA FROM SURROUNDING AREA. DURING MEETINGS IN RIYADH TO
SET STRATEGY FOR IMPLEMENTING DECREE THE MUTAWWA LEARNED THE
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GOVERNMENT WAS HAVING SECOND THOUGHTS. RELIGIOUS LEADERS WERE
REPORTEDLY INCENSED AND DEMANDED THE GOVERNMENT STAND FIRM.
OPPOSITION TO GOVERNMENT WAS SO VOCAL THAT SAG HAS ARRESTED
SOME OF THOSE LEADERS.
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